

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 9

- 1 OVERVIEW:** Watch the video. Whose comments do you most agree with?
- 2** Look at the people below and read the sentences. Then watch the video from 0:10–1:11 again and write true or false (T/F) next to each sentence.



1 He grew up on a farm. T



2 Now she's older, she loves London more than the countryside. _____



3 He likes the quiet and fresh air of the countryside. _____



4 She comes from Hertfordshire and lives near the countryside. _____



5 She enjoys camping and weekends in London. _____



6 He's lived in the countryside for thirteen years and enjoys growing vegetables. _____

Glossary: *grow up (in/on a place)* = live there as a child

- 3A** Read the words in the box and check the animal words you don't know in your dictionary. Then watch the video from 1:12–3:10 and tick the words you hear. There are three extra words.

wildlife	sharks	cows	big cats	spiders	whales	dog	horses
monkeys	guinea pigs	scorpions	birds	snakes	foxes		

Glossary: *big cats* = lions and tigers

- 3B** Watch the video again and practise saying the words in Exercise 2A aloud.

- 4 Do they like wildlife? Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video from 1:12–2:12 again and delete the wrong word in *italics*.



- 1 I'm an animal lover. I'm a vegetarian as well/*also*.



- 2 Since I was a little girl, I've always really *liked/loved* foxes for some reason.



- 3 I enjoy sort of very *exotic* wildlife/*animals* that I haven't seen before.



- 4 I like *watching/seeing* them on the *telly*.



- 5 I think animals are living beings – and *must/should* be treated with respect.



- 6 I like big *tigers/cats*. They're very graceful, they're very beautiful.

- 5 **VOCABULARY:** Match the definitions to the underlined words in Exercise 4.

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| 1 things which are living/alive | <u>living beings</u> |
| 2 something/someone that moves beautifully | _____ |
| 3 to behave in a respectful way to something/someone | _____ |
| 4 strange or unusual, often from a foreign country | _____ |
| 5 television | _____ |

- 6 Look at the people below and read the things they say. Then watch the video from 1:12–3:10 and match people A–D to the correct sentences.



- He enjoys things he doesn't see every day.
- He's frightened of snakes and scorpions because they're very dangerous.
- He quite likes large snakes. A friend of his used to keep them.
- She loves her nephew and niece's guinea pig.
- He doesn't remember being frightened of any animals when he was a child.
- She doesn't like spiders.

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7 THE WAY WE SPEAK: What are they frightened of? Look at the people below and read their answers. Then watch the video from 2:12–3:10 and complete their answers with one word in spaces 1–6.



I am very ¹*scared* of spiders. And even though in Australia, we get some very small but very dangerous spiders – I'm ²_____ of very big spiders.



I don't particularly like horses because they're big, and they ³_____ our dog.



I'm not really ⁴_____ of any animals. I love them all.



I'm quite ⁵_____ of sharks. I don't really like the sea and so whales and animals such as that, I don't really like. I suppose because it's the unknown. I just find it quite ⁶_____.

Glossary: *scared* = frightened
scary = frightening
the unknown = you don't know anything about it

8 PERSONALISATION: Write your answers to the questions.

1 Do you prefer the countryside or the city? Which person in the video do you most agree with?

2 Do you like wildlife? Which person are you most like?

3 Which of the animals from the video are you frightened of?
